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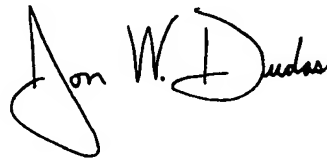
It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 10, Line 57, should read as follows:

“...wedging against said needle to secure the distal end of said needle within the second Interior space in the extended position, wherein said wedging portion includes a cam surface which engages a sidewall of said outer bearing to pivot said wedging portion when said inner portion is moved along said longitudinal axis; and...”

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a cursive "Dudas".

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